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b) a plurality of apertures, formed in an array in the base plate, configured to withdraw the fluid under a vacuum force.

*13.* (Amended) A device in accordance with claim 1, wherein the base plate has a lower surface; and wherein the plurality of apertures are formed at the lower end, and sized larger than a width of the lower surface, creating a plurality of protrusions extending from the base plate configured to penetrate the carpeted surface. --

Please add new claims 22-24, as follows:

-- *20* (New) A device in accordance with claim *6*, wherein the plurality of apertures are disposed at a bottom of the V-shaped cross section.

*14.* (New) A device in accordance with claim *10*, wherein the plurality of apertures are disposed at a bottom of the V-shaped cross section.

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*24.* (New) A device in accordance with claim *20*, wherein the plurality of apertures are disposed at a bottom of the V-shaped cross section. --